A MOUNTAIN TOWERING

"The Bible stands like a mountain tow'ring
Far above the works of man;
Its truth by none ever was refuted.
And destroy it they never can."
—Haldor Lillenas

VALLEY GRACE BRETHREN CHURCH OF ARMAGH, PA

June 29th, AD 2025

The Lord's Day

The Twenty-ninth Day of June, *in the Year of our Lord* 2025

- One Is Your Master and All Ye Are Brethren -

Welcome to the worship services of Valley Grace Brethren Church!

Sunday School—9:30 AM.

Understanding Medieval Christianity provides the necessary backdrop for grasping the great doctrines and monumental importance of the Reformation.

Morning Worship—9:30 AM.

Call to Worship:* *"Bless His Holy Name"* (#8).

Invocation.*

Hymn: *"This is my Father's World"* (#16).

Prayer for Tithes & Offerings.

Scripture Reading: Matt. 7:1-6, 15-16.

Prayer, Praises, & Testimony.

Hymn: *"It is Well with my Soul"* (#223).

Announcemnts.

Hymn: *"Just When I Need Him Most"* (#253).

Dismissal of Youth for Children's Church.

Message: *"~~Hermeneutics, Pt.:~~ Rightly Handling the Word." (Pt. XI)."*

Closing Hymn:* *"Shall we Gather at the River"* (#510).

Closing Hymn: *"He Hideth my Soul"* (#219; vv. 1 & 4).

Final Prayer and Reflection Time.

Benediction.*

Week of June 15 – June 21

Sunday School: 4. Morning Worship: 15. Brethren Class: 4. Midweek: 3. Weekly Offering: $381.00.

Video: *"Romanism: Its Scope & Influence"*—181 Total Views.

Video: "Romanism & Ecumenicalism:"—155 Total Views.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL next week, due to CGBCI National Conference. Our thanks to Brother Don Beach for filling-in for the Pastor for Morning Worship!

Brethren Heritage, Beliefs and Practices Class: Mon., 6/30 at 6:30.
Due to CGBCI National Conference, classes will resume on 7/14.

Due to the CGBCI National Conference, there will be NO Midweek Prayer & Bible Study until Thurs., July 17th, at 6:30PM.

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Please PRAY for this week's Conservative Grace Brethren National Conference in Dublin, Ohio, July 3-8

“Annual Meeting” (or “the Big Meeting”) has been a vital component of our Brethren Heritage for the better part of three centuries. It is an important time to reconnect, rededicate, and deal with important business, including matters of controversy that may arise upon occasion.

Was George Washington a *Christian*… or a *Deist?*

“It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and Bible.”
— WASHINGTON

[**Pastor’s Note**: It has been deemed fashionable within certain circles to decry the Christian orthodoxy & faith of the Father of our Country, and to maintain that Washington was a *Deist*, as opposed to a Bible-believing

Christian. *Deism* is a school of infidel theology that denies God’s interest and active involvement in the affairs of men, and which consequently denies the both the reality of the Incarnation and the necessity of the Blood Atonement of Christ. *Was* Washington a *true* Christian, affirming the active workings of Almighty God amongst men and placing his trust in the redemptive sufferings of Christ alone? Or was he, in fact, a cold Deist heretic? We are convinced that our first President can speak most eloquently for himself upon these matters, and are thus content to allow the reader to draw his own conclusions.]

Washington’s Confession & Testimony of Faith

[Entries from a 24 page handwritten manuscript of daily of prayers & devotions, written when Washington was twenty (!) years of age, in 1752.]

“O, blessed father, let thy Son's blood wash me from all impurities, and cleanse me from the stains of sin that are upon me. Give me grace to lay hold upon His merits; that they may be my reconciliation and atonement unto thee--That I may know my sins are forgiven by His death & passion. Embrace me in the arms of Thy mercy; vouchsafe to receive me unto the bosom of thy love, shadow me with thy wings, that I may safely rest under thy suspicion this night; and so into Thy hands I commend myself, both soul and body, in the name of Thy Son…”

“…I have sinned against heaven and before Thee in thought, word, and deed. I have contemned Thy majesty and holy laws. I have likewise sinned by omitting what I ought to have done and committing what I ought not. I have rebelled against the light, despising Thy mercies and judgment, and broken my vows and

promise. I have neglected the better things. My iniquities are multiplied and my sins are very great. I confess them, O Lord, with shame and sorrow, detestation and loathing and desire to be vile in my own eyes as I have rendered myself vile in Thine. I humbly beseech Thee to be merciful to me in the free pardon of my sins for the sake of Thy dear Son and only Savior Jesus Christ who came to call not the righteous, but sinners to repentance. Thou gavest Thy Son to die for me."